

W. Bristol.
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W. W. Brewster in
sail America
to narrow. The
Pittsburg is I
believe at Glasgow
I hope to see him
He will be rather
putting the
business side
of it. I don't know
if it was
this.

of disinterested love for me & for the cause, & of comprehension of what would be my desires, & what I sh^d & could appreciate. - I have by writing all you have taken the trouble to put on paper about your interview with Mr Chamberlain. We were comparatively un solicitous about the result, or at least we were pretty certain it would be what you describe, our anxiety was to have you state for each party to tell the other what both have often told us, & what we have tried to hand over (but how imperfectly) - but our selves are fully conscious, we know & feel what is lost by transmission, especially this mind not fully conversant with the side facts & circumstances, & not blessed with clear memories. Hearing from living actors has a power which there is no representing. And we were almost anxious for Mr Ch. to have the opportunity of stating his own case to you, - his visions of "union", his faith in the power & virtue of his employers &c. - as for him to listen to your enlightening narrative of the past & expectations of the present. We know so well your respective stand points that

the mere heads of your discourse served to ^{enrich}
us participants in your whole conversation,
but I am none the less glad to know ^{the} proper
abstract of the ground over which you travelled.
Mr Ch. wrote to me the next day & seemed at
least as much pleased with the visit as you
could desire. He was very anxious to repeat it as
you invited him to do, but feared he ^{could} be unable
to manage it. It is quite a weight off our minds
for you to know the sort of man Mr Ch. is, how
far he goes, & where he sticks fast, & what he
cannot take in. I think you will not suspect
him of being a second Scoble, a deep designing
brigot whose word is not to be depended upon.
This you have probably discovered that he
is one of those incautiously confiding per-
sonages, not deficient in self-esteem, but
over-accurate or circumspect, who is likely
to get into troubles & to trust too much to
diplomacy, for bringing about what moral
influences can alone effect. Mr G.
Thompson lately got hold of some things
in Mr Ch's sayings & doings which sounded
very badly, & frightened Mr Webb, Mr Stein,
that & other friends, but I believe they are
^{parties} tranquilized now. Mr J. said in his last note
to me "The war in our allied camp is ended." He
had been investigating some complicated business

news about the delivery of a letter from Mr
Pillsbury which Mr Ch. made it appear that
W. W. Brown had failed to deliver, & then explained
that he didn't mean any reflection upon W. B.
but had only expressed himself in a bungling way
whereupon W. W. B. accepted his apology, but
thereby brought down Mr T.'s ire upon himself
for his too prompt forgiveness, & then W. B. & Mr T.
& Mr J. apologized to W. B. & they all became
as good friends as ever. What it is that convinced
Mr T. that Mr Chamerovzow was not such a cheat
as he had begun to accuse him of I can't say, but
as he was satisfied everybody else is, & so the dis-
turbance has subsided as suddenly as it arose.
It would take a ream of paper to tell you the ins & outs
of this tangled contrivance which seemed to rise
out of a most trivial circumstance & to have no
point. It came, ^{from an expression} in a letter of Mr Ch. to me complaining
(as I thought with reason) of Mr Pillsbury's ignoring
him in London, & ^{at the} announcement appearing in the
Liberator that he ^(Mr P.) considered his being invited to
speak at Exeter Hall an insult. &c. &c. As the affair
is I trust blown over now (& Mr P. has left off
fretting over my grumbling at his Liberator letter
which he took to heart dreadfully) I sh^d. not trouble
this much even except to prevent y^r being in
the dark if it is referred to by American or English
correspondents. I put Mr May in possession of the
main points of the dispute as regularly as I could,
& fancy that between you all Mr Ch. will ultimately
find his proper place, what that is time will de-
termine. Mr Webb sometimes talks about Mr Ch. as
being a safe person for a colleague he is a careful

in what he states; & talks about the impracticability of working with him to any useful purpose, & then again he says he likes the good temper & earnest spirit of the man, &c. This is as if we had to decide whether we wd. appoint Mr Ch. to some official post in connection with the Am. Assn. whereas we have nothing to do with him but to make the best of him where he is; we can't despise him, & as to co-operating there never had been anything of the sort yet except negatively, & by ^{circumstances} manifestation of friendly feeling. However I need not enlarge, for you have seen my Father's letter to Mr Chapon, & he has just pencilled a note to you w^{ch} I am to enclose. He did it in bed one morning & has just looked it over & handed it to me. He is basking in the lovely weather we are enjoying, & benefits by it. We are just removed from Bristol after a stay of only ten days at home in a lovely house at Sherbampton belonging to Mr Thos Reynolds. We were here last Aug. & enjoyed the beautiful grounds & drives, & walks as much as he could anything while so weak & suffering. Mr Reynolds has lent the house to Mrs Parker until Christmas & we shall have as much use of it as we like. My Father sets the advantage of merry companions & retirement combined which is just what he needs. So we feel that "the lines are drawn for us in pleasant places," & we "take no thought for the morrow." Many many thanks for all your loving thoughts of us, & all your prof. of undiminished regard. Believe me they are reciprocated. The Parkeses join in love & regards to your circle. Ever most affec^t yours Mary Estlin.